

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Makoto Akune
Serial No. : 10/666,496
Filed : September 19, 2003
For : DATA DISTRIBUTION METHOD, SERVER, AND TERMINAL
Group A.U. :
Date : November 18, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

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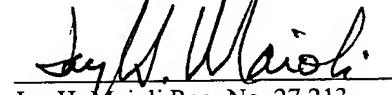
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this Amendment.

The Remarks portion begins on page 14 of this Amendment.